

GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

2015 REGULAR SESSION

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20
AS ENACTED
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ALISON LUNDERGAN GRIMES
SECRETARY OF STATE
COMMONWE MITH OF KENTUCKY

- A JOINT RESOLUTION directing the Auditor of Public Accounts to report on the
- 2 number of untested sexual assault examination kits in the possession of Kentucky law
- 3 enforcement and prosecutorial agencies.
- 4 WHEREAS, the successful prosecution of sexual offenses and serial sexual
- 5 offenders is vital to public safety; and
- WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice estimates that there are
- 7 approximately 100,000 backlogged sexual assault examination kits awaiting testing
- 8 throughout the country; and
- 9 WHEREAS, preventing a backlog of untested sexual assault examination kits is
- 10 essential to the administration of justice in the Commonwealth of Kentucky;
- 11 NOW, THEREFORE,

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12 Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

sexual assault examination kits collected pursuant to KRS 216B.400 that have not been sent to the Department of Kentucky State Police forensic laboratory for either serology or deoxyribonucleic acid testing and deliver a report to the Legislative Research Commission on that subject no later than November 1, 2015. Every Kentucky law enforcement and prosecutorial agency responsible for the collection, storage, and maintenance of sexual assault examination kits pursuant to KRS 216B.400 shall report to the Auditor of Public Accounts the number of all such kits in their custody that have not been sent to the Department of Kentucky State Police forensic laboratory for either

serology or deoxyribonucleic acid testing and include in the report the date each kit was

collected by September 1, 2015. No report generated pursuant to this section shall contain

→ Section 1. The Auditor of Public Accounts is directed to study the number of

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any personal or indentifying information of any victim.

President of Senate

Speaker House of Representatives

Attest: Chief Clark of Senate

Approved Governor

Date 5/23/15